

Minutes of Meeting
Health Services Council
Project Review Committee-II

DATE: 13 January 2011

TIME: 2:30 PM

LOCATION: Conference Room 401

ATTENDANCE:

Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Committee-II			
Victoria Almeida, Esq. (Chair)	X		
Raymond C. Coia, Esq.	X		
Joseph L. Dowling, MD	X		
Gary J. Gaube		X	
Maria R. Gil			X
Catherine E. Graziano, RN, PhD			X
Robert Hamel, RN			X
Daniel Orgel, MPA	X		
Denise Panichas			X
Reverend David Shire (Secretary)	X		

Staff: Valentina Adamova, MBA, Michael K. Dexter, MPA, Joseph G. Miller, Esq.

Public: (Attached)

1. Call to Order, Approval of Minutes, Conflict of Interest Forms and Extension for the Minutes Availability

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 PM. The Chair noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a conflict. Minutes of the 9 December 2010 Project Review Committee-II meeting were adopted as submitted. A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of five in favor and none opposed (5-0) that the availability of minutes for this meeting be extended beyond the time frame as provided for under the Open Meetings Act. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Coia, Dowling, Orgel, Shire.

2. General Order of Business

The next item on the agenda was the Change Order Request of **Tockwotton Home** to the 6 July 2007 approval of the Certificate of Need to replace an existing 42-bed nursing home located at 75 East Street in Providence by constructing a 52-bed replacement facility at Waterfront Drive in East Providence.

The applicant reviewed responses to follow-up questions. Jim McGurk, legal counsel to the applicant, stated that only the permanently restricted endowment assets cannot be used to support

the project. Mr. McGurk agreed to provide a legal memo to the Health Services Council with regards to the permissible uses of its endowment.

Mr. Coia noted his concern over allegations against Cutler and inquired as to the progress of discussion with labor officials. Richard McAuliffe, Jr., Chairman of the Mayforth Group, noted the inclusion of union labor in discussions. Mr. McKay, the administrator of the applicant, noted that Cutler has responded to the allegations against it, that it has not been fined for any labor practices and came highly recommended.

Staff noted that according to the Office of Facilities Regulations, Tockwotton is a CMS-5 star facility that has a history of compliance and whose last survey was deficiency free.

A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of four in favor and one opposed (4-1) to recommend that the change order request be approved subject to the conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor included: Almeida, Dowling, Orgel, Shire. Those members voting in opposition were: Coia.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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